NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES 4077 Conf.: applicant(s): Taisto VILKMAN et al. Application #: 10/678,073 Filed: October 6, 2003 POLYMER BLEND AND METHOD OF PREPARING SAME Title: Examiner: Peter Szekely Group Art Unit: 1714 Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated February 14, 2006 rejecting the following claims: 1-3 and The fee for this Notice of Appeal is:

\$500.00 If I have checked one of the boxes below, then this is also a petition for an Non-small entity fee for extension of time: \$120.00

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The sum of the fee for the Notice of Appeal and the fee for any extension of time is:

extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to reply to the rejection:

\$830

X Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee shown above is reduced by half, and the resulting fee is: \$415 \boxtimes A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

 \boxtimes The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

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